

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 11/2/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3-8 and 10-16.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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- ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
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- ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- ☐ Other _____

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. Claims 1, 3-8 & 10-16 are allowed over the cited prior art.
2. The following is the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding independent claim 1, the claim was allowed as set forth in the previous action.

In regards to independent claim 10, Singer et al (US 6,239,744), hereinafter Singer, teaches an antenna remote control apparatus for a base station in a mobile communication system comprising, a remote controller for combining a driving voltage for a motor used to control the beam direction of an antenna, a reference signal for measuring the rotation state of the motor, and an RF signal for mobile communication and transmitting the combined signal via a feeder cable (Figure 1, Item 50; Column 3, Lines 39-62; Singer) and an antenna controller for receiving the combined signal from the remote controller via the feeder cable (Figure 1, Item 41; Column 5, Lines 15-16; Singer), for dividing the combined signal into the reference signal, the motor driving voltage, and the RF signal, driving the motor using the motor driving voltage, and for outputting a variation in the reference signal depending on the rotation state of the motor to the remote controller via the feeder cable (Figure 1, Item 40; Column 3, Lines 29-31, 44-50; Singer). Singer discloses a main controller (remote controller) and a microcontroller (antenna controller) connected by a coaxial cable (feeder cable), which provides signals for a reference signal, motor driving voltage and communication RF signal through the coaxial cable. However Singer fails to teach wherein the remote

controller includes a frequency generator generating the reference signal to measure the rotation state of the motor that controls the beam direction and tilting angle of the antenna, a motor voltage generator generating the driving voltage required to drive the motor mounted to the antenna, a matcher combining the output of the frequency generator with the output voltage of the motor voltage generator and receiving the variation in the rotation state of the motor from the antenna controller, a bias T combining the output of the matcher with the RF signal and outputting the combined signal to the antenna controller via the feeder cable and a signal detector detecting the variation in the rotation state of the motor from the signal received from the matcher, converting the variation to a square wave signal, and outputting the square wave signal wherein the remote controller outputs a voltage and control signal for driving the motor and receives the control result value from the signal detector, thereby continuously controlling the motor voltage generator and the frequency generator.

In regards to claim 11, Singer teaches an antenna remote control apparatus for a base station in a mobile communication system comprising, a remote controller for combining a driving voltage for a motor used to control the beam direction of an antenna, a reference signal for measuring the rotation state of the motor, and an RF signal for mobile communication and transmitting the combined signal via a feeder cable (Figure 1, Item 50; Column 3, Lines 39-62; Singer) and an antenna controller for receiving the combined signal from the remote controller via the feeder cable (Figure 1, Item 41; Column 5, Lines 15-16; Singer), for dividing the combined signal into the reference signal, the motor driving voltage, and the RF signal, driving the motor using

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the motor driving voltage, and for outputting a variation in the reference signal depending on the rotation state of the motor to the remote controller via the feeder cable (Figure 1, Item 40; Column 3, Lines 29-31, 44-50; Singer). Singer discloses a main controller (remote controller) and a microcontroller (antenna controller) connected by a coaxial cable (feeder cable), which provides signals for a reference signal, motor driving voltage and communication RF signal through the coaxial cable. However Singer fails to teach a signal divider for receiving the output signal of the bias T via the feeder cable, dividing the received signal into the RF signal for mobile communication, the motor driving voltage signal for driving the motor, and the reference signal for a variation in the beam direction and tilting angle of the antenna, and outputting the divided signals, the motor for being driven upon receipt of the motor driving voltage from the signal divider to control the beam direction and tilting angle of the antenna and an encoder for changing a resistance value thereof according to the rotation state of the motor and outputting the reference signal changed according to the changed resistance value to the matcher.

Claims 3-8 are allowed as they depend from allowable independent claim 1.

Claims 12-16 are allowed as they depend from allowable independent claim 10.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and to avoid processing delays should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion


3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christian A. Hannon whose telephone number is (571) 272-7385. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon. - Fri. 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nay Maung can be reached on (571) 272-7882. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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